



# **RAIDER**



# Jeffrey Cole

Jeff,  
I really like being in your class.  
You're the only person who I hardly ever  
got into a fight. Well good luck this summer  
and throughout your life. Best wishes.  
Your Friends  
Michael Ortega  
712-6241

Jeff,  
Well, another year  
is gone and I'm  
really glad we were friends.  
Have a great summer.  
See ya next year.  
Your friend  
Michelle  
Gaudin

Jeff,  
Even though  
we've had a lot of  
tests and junk, we  
had a pretty good year!  
Hope to see you next year!  
Have a wonderful, safe summer!  
Best wishes!  
Your friend  
Melanie  
Alexander

Jeff,  
Even though it  
is the end of  
the year! I  
have really  
enjoyed talking  
to you! And just by  
being friends I  
that too! Well any  
ways! Have a nice  
Summer and stay  
out of trouble!  
Your friend  
for life!  
Angela

Jeff  
To a pretty  
good friend  
and HAVE  
A GREAT  
SUMMER.  
Eric &  
Mr. Mr  
Para tu  
amigo  
como no es  
sino un  
Amigo  
cualquiera!  
George! Shige!

Pis  
Don't do any  
things I wouldn't



Even though you don't  
want anything dirty  
I have to: crud,  
dirt, mud. Now  
that that's over, Lets get  
on with the note. Well,  
we've had a lot of  
fun this year. (ex.  
playing practice  
jokes on Eric!)  
Call me a lot  
this summer  
966-2646 Tony  
Donis

# Jigsaw Puzzle

(jig-so pz-l) N: a Puzzle consisting of small individually shaped pieces that are fitted together to form one picture.

John Johnson

Jeff,  
Even though  
I don't know  
you very well  
you're a sweet  
and kind person.  
Hope to see you  
next year.  
Katrina  
Chiles

Jeff,  
It's been a  
terrific year  
and it was  
even  
better with  
you! Like  
a friend like  
Laura

nice tripping  
with you  
this year  
John H.  
Brian W. and Dan

Jeff,  
Have a nice  
summer. I know  
I will. See you  
during the summer  
you little nerd (Beep!)  
Ha! Ha!  
Chris

V/F  
/KFT/

Neffery Hobbs

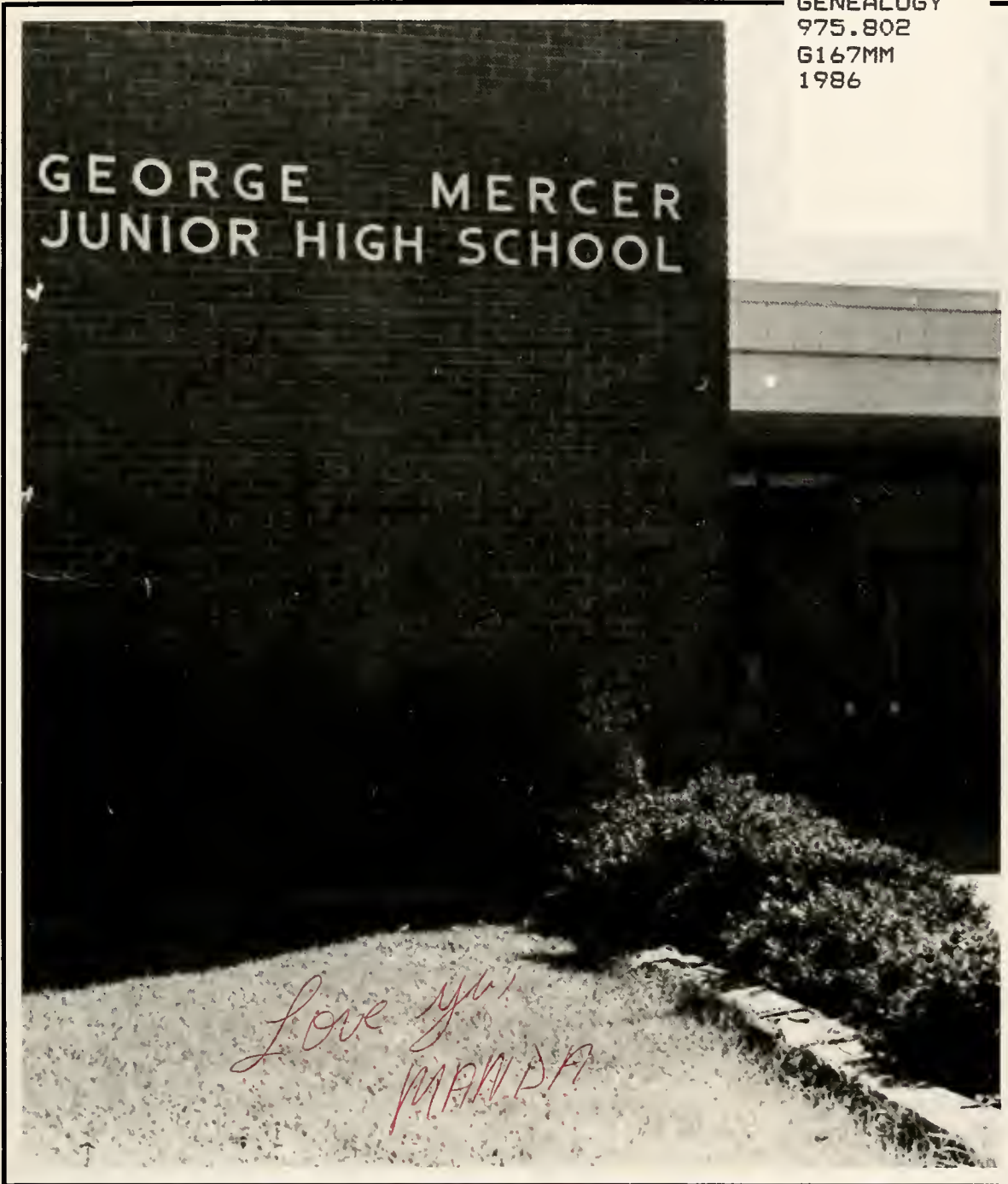
Jeff,  
You've been a  
great person, since  
3rd grade. Keep up  
the good work. Stay  
sweet & nice. Have a  
nice summer.  
K.I.T  
748-0136  
Amy  
Dane

Tharen 

I'm the person that came to  
town  
to sign your year book up side  
down have a nice summer  
by the way nice kind of a



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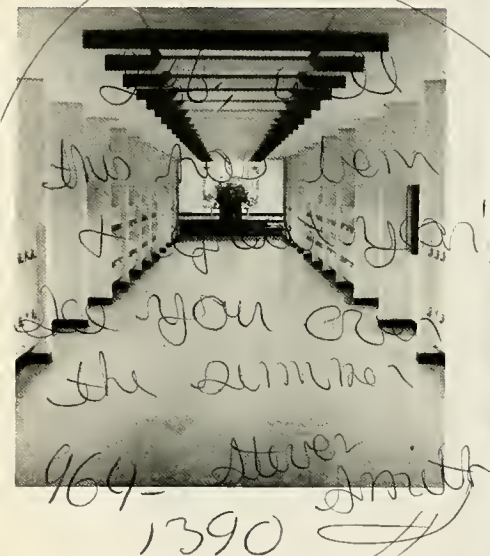
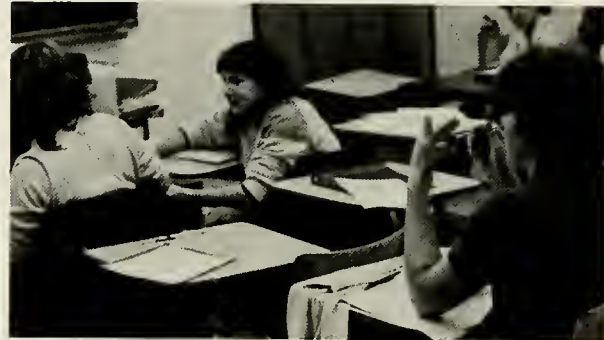


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## MERCER MIDDLE SCHOOL



# OUT OF MANY ...



Raider Yearbook 1986  
Mercer Middle School  
Garden City, Georgia

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Athletes ... Scholars ... Musicians ... Poets ... And Artists .  
... All achievers; all individuals; and all have their own place at Mercer Middle School. Each student strives to make a personal gain, and each student thrives to celebrate freedom.

At Mercer ... we are all unique through religion, talent, and dress; our accents differ as do our friends, and our tastes. We each create a different style. We then join with others in a friendly bond to produce a unified form.

We have gathered from separate places and will again disperse and scatter to newfound homes, but while at Mercer we join behind the Raider spirit and create ... Out of Many ...





# ONE



## One

A single, united unit beating with a pulse drawn from each thriving member.

## One

A detailed puzzle of people and passions - with tremendous spirit ...



Mercer is a unified form-winning, cheering, growing, and learning. Changing in motion from year to year. Adapting in style from class to class. As each piece evolves the puzzle matures.

# STRIVING AS MANY ... AC



A crowd likes diversity. Individuals of differing talents and abilities combine to progress towards a single goal. Each person is important in his own right.



An athlete sets a personal goal for which he must extend himself to achieve ...

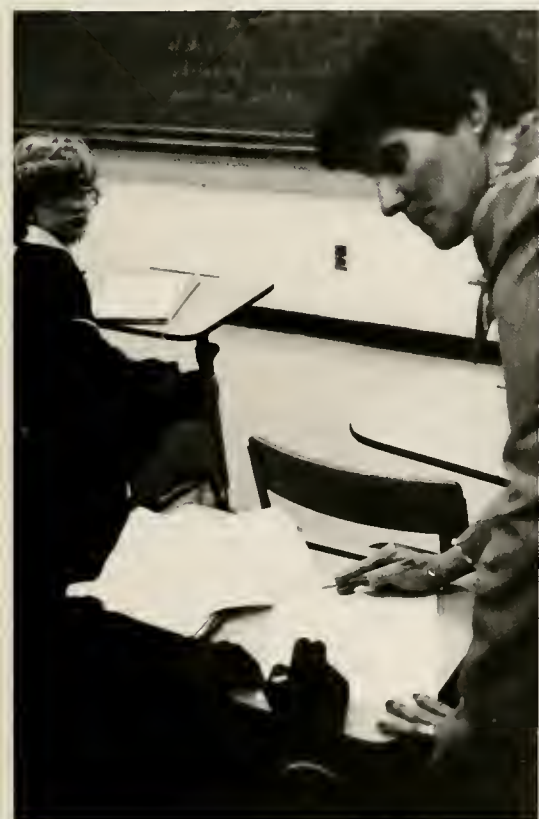
Music is composed of assorted instruments. A musician practices his instrument and learns the notes in order to create his own sound ...

Science is structured through basic elements - a unique basis of the chemical system ...





# ACHIEVING AS ONE



In an achievement of unity one never stops to discover the pieces from which the whole is created. All individuals strive, but without each other, they will never achieve.

... more important to the athlete than his personal wins are the wins of his team.

... a combination of sounds from individual instruments form a wonderful musical experience.

... through the basic elements all creation is possible; they make discovery come alive.

# MAKING THE PIECES FIT

Each year the Yearbook staff honors the persons whom it feels has influenced its members the most by dedicating the yearbook to them. Rarely, however, have these persons been as involved in every aspect of student life as these instructors. Both teachers stand out at Mercer due to their never ending devotion to helping students. With deep affection and lasting respect the Yearbook staff proudly dedicates the **Raider** 1986 to:

Ms. Susan Ethridge  
and  
Mrs. Zelene Foster



Ms. Ethridge is a seventh grade Social Studies teacher. She is a very active person in both the school and extra curriculum activities. Ms. Ethridge is presently serving as the advisor for the Model United Nations. In addition, she has advised the Student Advisory Council and she is involved in many other school activities. But what makes Ms. Ethridge stand out from the other teachers is her willingness to take part in every aspect of the school from dressing-up as a witch to being a friend to her students.



Mrs. Zelene Foster is the PECE director. She has also taught English. Mrs. Foster has been instrumental in having many honors brought to Mercer. Her PECE students have often been featured in the Savannah News-Press as well as on local television stations.

This dedicated, dynamic and willing teacher has also served as advisor to the YAC Club. In addition, she has assisted in the planning of the eighth grade prom activities. Mrs. Foster stands out from the other teachers because of her enduring devotion and integrity.



"A teacher affects eternity; he can never tell where his influence stops."  
- Henry Adams



# MIDDLE SCHOOL





# PUNK-N- ROCK AND WILD HAT DAY







It would be hard to picture Mercer without all the spirit and imagination that the students and teachers possess. Every once in awhile Mercer people get a little carried away and go CRAZY. On such days you can find them wearing funny hats or maybe even dressed up like their favorite Rock Star.







# HALLOWEEN FUN







Mercer caught the demon spirit on Halloween Day, October 31, 1985. The halls echoed with the sounds of laughter and squeals. Everywhere you looked you could see ghosts, goblins, witches, cheerleaders, and any other strange creature or person. Yes, this was sure one fun day . . .

There was also a Halloween Dance that the PTA sponsored. Boy, was that fun!! They had popcorn, candy, coke, and of course there was the terrific music that made dancing a must.

"Calling all Ghosts and Goblins to roam the halls and make Mercer the Scariest place of all."





# GROWING PAINS

The Middle School days are the most difficult in a student's life. When a person becomes a teenager, he finds himself taking on new responsibilities. Grades begin to matter, so the academic pressures increase and a social life begins to appear. Because these days are an impressionable age, Middle School memories will be some of the most pleasant, and the most painful; they will last forever.









With recent changes in the curriculum, academic life has become more challenging. Students can become well-trained in the use of computers, or knowledgeable about the capitals of obscure countries. First-time oral reports can be really scary, as well as a parent's reaction to a less-than-desirable grade. With the challenge comes enjoyment of the Middle School days.



## HIGH SCHOOL, HERE WE







COME ...



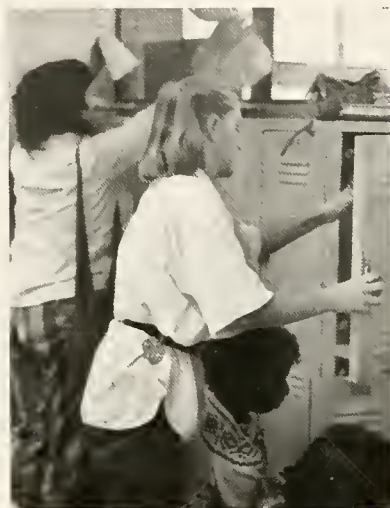




# THE UNEXPECTED JOYS OF GROWING UP





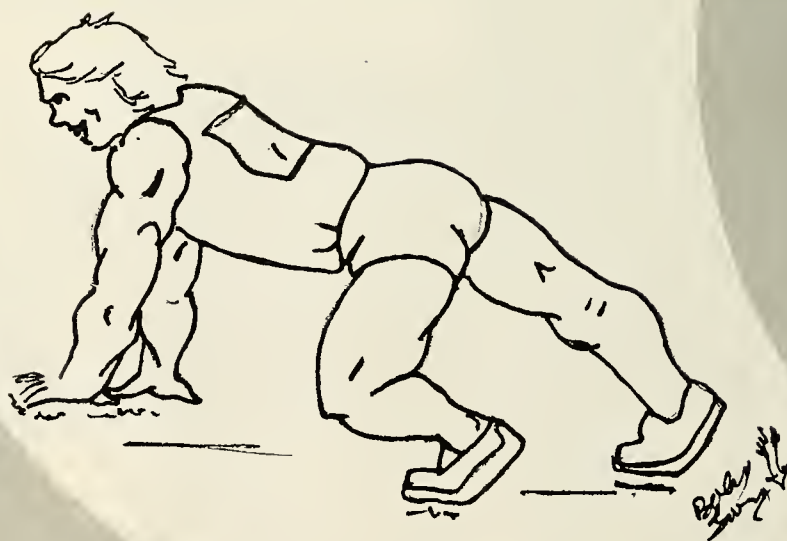


The social life in the sixth through eighth grades possesses many different parts. Some of the organizations sponsor movies, parties, dances, and dress-up days. These activities provide a rest from a rough school day. The days in Middle School provide a time to enjoy independence and social activity before faced with the pressure of High School





MERCER'S OLYMPIC  
GAMES  
Groves High School Track  
100 Wheathill Road  
Garden City, Georgia  
May 9, 1986







One individual striving for excellence, contributing to a team, a team incorporating the talent of its members to form a powerful structure, growing, developing, maturing: Olympics at Mercer. Learning to strike that balance between the needs and goals of the individual and those of the team is the purpose behind our olympic program; the teachers', the coaches', the students' and the players' perspectives attest to its success.



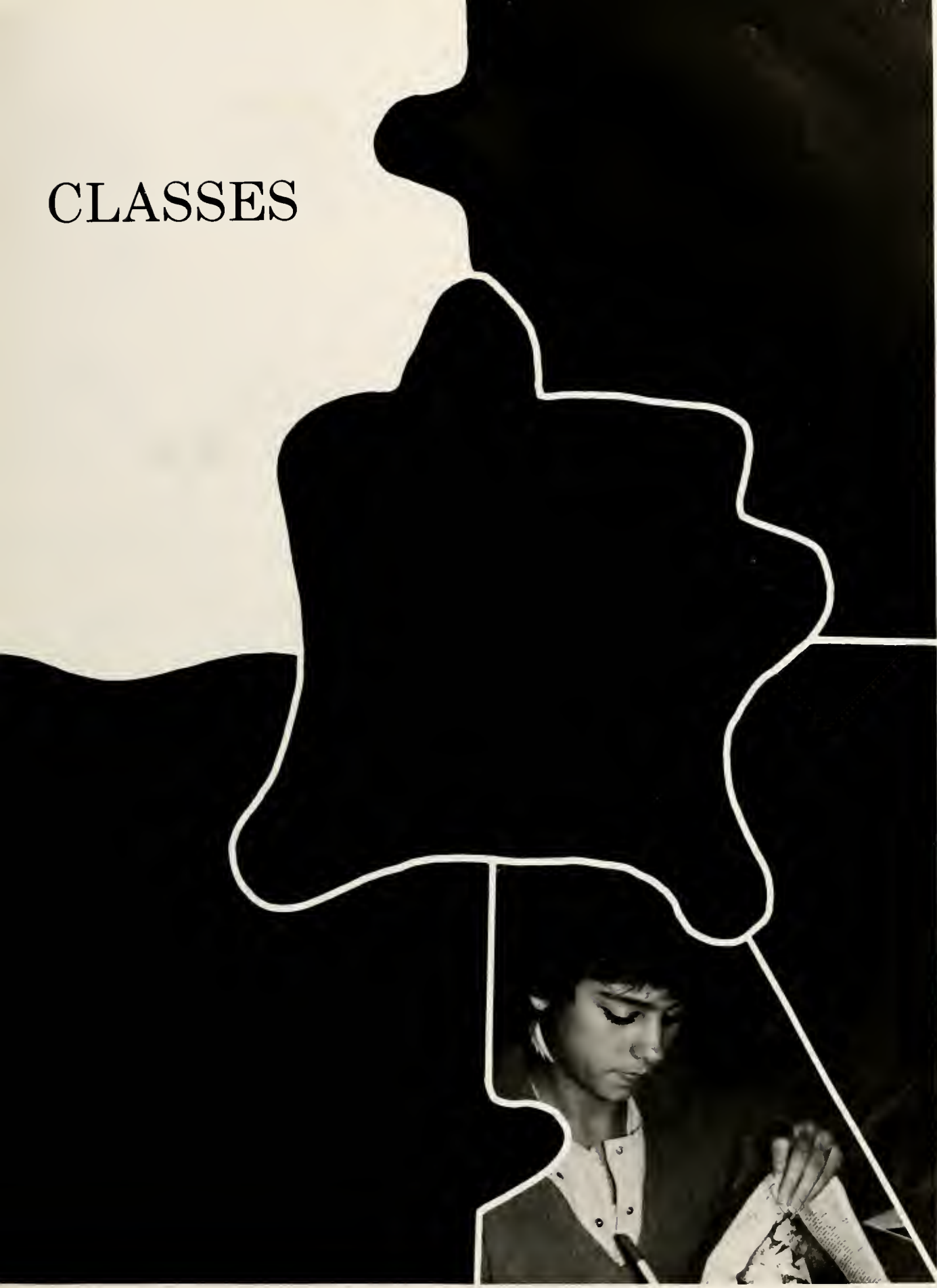
# SEE WHERE IT TAKES YOU

After Mercer? The future is mapped out ... or is it? Mercer prepares a student not only for academic achievement, but for personal success as well. Individuality, independence, honor, and maturity are the traits that are nurtured and prepare students to cope with the "Real World". The middle school experience may only require three years, but its effects have a continuous impact on the individual.





# CLASSES

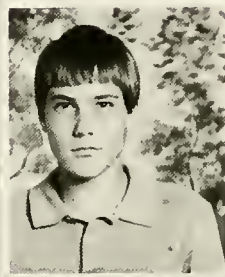


# EIGHTH GRADE

Mindy Adair  
Tracy Aldrich  
Rachel Allard  
Lavone Allen



Stephanie Altman  
Scott Anderson  
Kim Ardis  
Melanie Austin



Terry Austin  
Dan Bacon  
Levy Bacon  
Nancy Bailey



Chris Banks  
Tanisha Barns  
Lisa Barrett  
Barry Bazemore

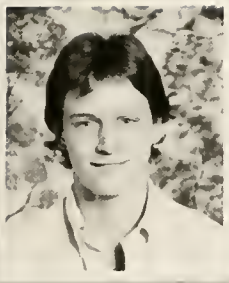


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Ruth Black  
Jason Bland

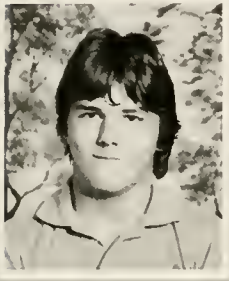




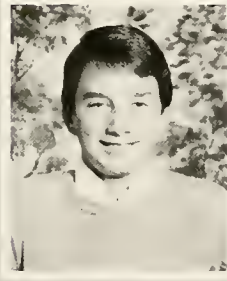
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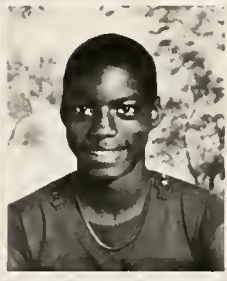
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Michelle Boyd  
Brenda Braddy  
Talvia Bradley



Douglas Brannen  
Franklin Brannon  
Phillip Bridges  
Tania Broomfield



Angel Brown  
Antwan Brown  
Ashley Brown  
Barbara Brown



Jeffrey Brown  
Jonathan Brown  
Richard Brown  
Amy Bruner



Deidra Bryan  
Monica Bryant  
Kevin Bryant  
Randy Burke



# EIGHTH GRADE ..

Robbie Byrd  
Troy Cadle  
Alesha Campbell  
Major Campbell



Shawn Capers  
Joey Carter  
Chad Carver  
Adam Celeste



Tanesha Chaplin  
Kenneth Chappell  
Robin Childers  
Laurie Carnes



Shannon Cleland  
Leslie Clifton  
Chris Cochran  
Tonya Coleman



Lisa Cooler  
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Wendell Cothran  
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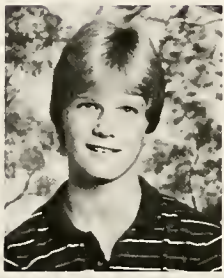




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Melissa Crew  
Sheila Cross  
James Dammarell



Tara Daniels  
Kenny Davis  
Michael Davis  
Richard Davis



Tabitha Davis  
Kim Deal  
Robert Donahue  
Dale Dawson



Janice Dyches  
Leomia Eason  
Harry Elliot  
Carla Ellis



Michael Ellis  
Shawn Enslow  
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John Fields

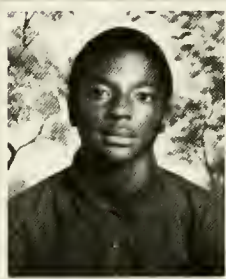
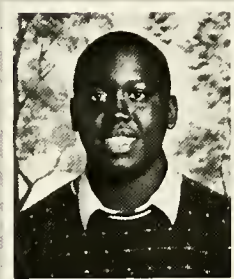


# EIGHTH GRADE ...

Dave Fish  
John Floyd  
Amev Fogarty  
Kevin Futch



Cedric Gadson  
Terrance Gadson  
Ricky Gibson  
Roger Gollihue



Cory Grant  
Kelly Grant  
Jennifer Gray  
Anthony Griffin



Christine Griswald  
Dawn Grubbs  
Thomas Grubbs  
Michelle Gunder



Michelle Hadden  
Leamon Hall  
Shannon Hammond  
Darren Harrison

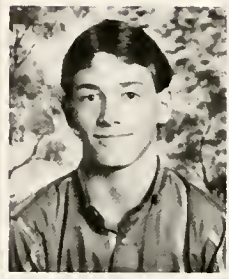
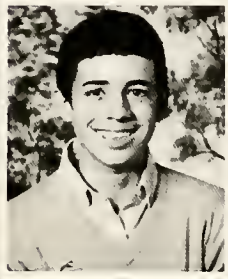




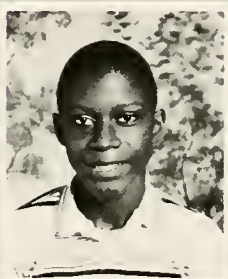
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Bobby Hattrich  
Duane Hearn  
William Hendricks



Lisa Hester  
Kristy Hicks  
Robert Hicks  
Jason Hinson



Chris Holt  
Michael Hope  
William Hulett  
Heather Hulsey



Tonya Hutcheson  
Vanessa Hymon  
Timmy Jackson  
Lisa Jenkins

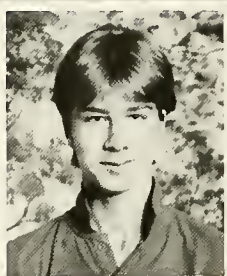


Theresa Jenkins  
Veronica Jenlans  
George Johnson  
James Johnson



# EIGHTH GRADE ...

Jimmy Johnson  
Kenneth Johnson  
Shannon Johnson  
Yolanda Johnson



Janice Johnston  
Jody Johnston  
Brenda Jones  
Susan Joseph



Crissy Kennedy  
Kitty Kennedy  
Lee Kersey  
Bert Klein



Jamie Kreyenbuhl  
Chester Kuffroth  
Dwayne Ladson  
John Lafallette

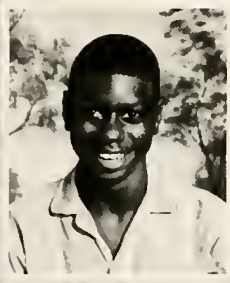


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Clinton Lane  
Glenn Lawson  
Le-An Ledford





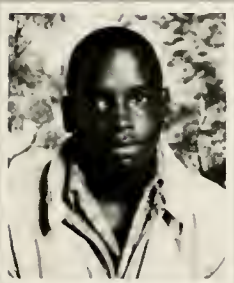
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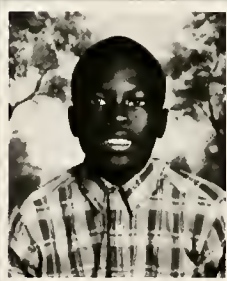
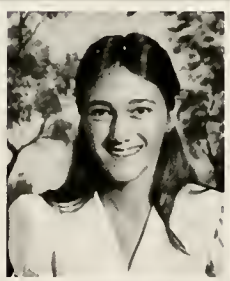
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Jennifer Lewis  
Tom Lietz



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April Lundy  
Donald Mack  
Dwayne Mack



Ronald Mack  
Michael Madden  
Jason Martin  
William Massey



Rodney Maxwell  
Laura Mazzara  
Tabu McBride  
Tammy McCloy



Charles McCorkle  
Stephanie McFarlane  
Lela McMillan  
Jay Melvin



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Jamie Moore  
Octavia Moore



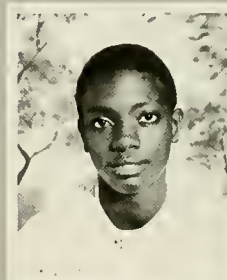
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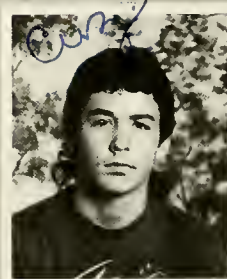
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Kristie Parker



Latarasha Parrish  
James Patilla  
Shawn Plasky  
Craig Quarterman



Patricia Ray  
Jason Razook  
Trina Reagan  
Amanda Reddick





# ... EIGHTH GRADE



Lou Reed  
Michelle Reed  
Stacey Reese  
Stephannie Reese



Robert Register  
Debra Reindl  
Michael Renaldo  
Mark Rentz



Vette Reynolds  
Shannon Rich  
Regina Richardson  
Sabrina Ricks



Stacey Roach  
Regina Roberts  
Stacey Roberts  
Michelle Robinson



James Rogers  
Roberta Roosevelt  
Shannon Rose  
Patricia Ryea



# EIGHTH GRADE . . .

Nancy Sabb  
Janice Salter  
Jesse Saures  
Daniel Seay



Alison Sellars  
Tomecia Shager  
Dawna Sharman  
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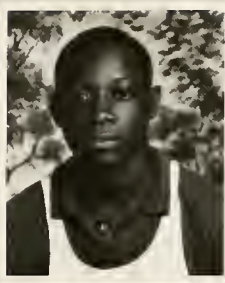
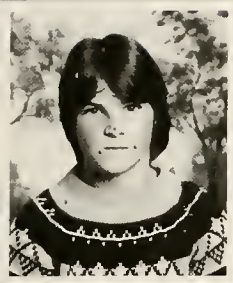


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Ronnie Smith  
Roshanta Smith





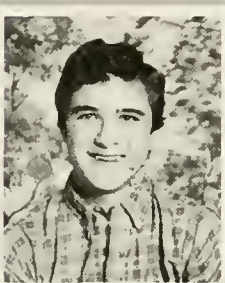
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Bobby Squires  
Mechelle Stafford



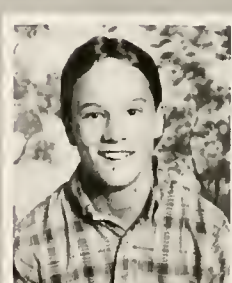
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Felicia Stewart  
Andy Stokes



Derrick Strickland  
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Allen Stripling  
Steven Stuckey



Tara Taylor  
Troy Taylor  
Vanessa Taylor  
Dlorch Teigue



Griffin Thomas  
Latonya Thompson  
Kyle Turner  
Wendell Turner



# EIGHTH GRADE ...

Angela Vance  
Pedro Walker  
Tony Watts  
Robert Wellmaker



*Mario's  
Girlfriend*  
Julie Wesley  
James West  
Amy White  
Trell White



Sybil Williams  
Tynege Williams  
Hope Williamson  
Michelle Wilson



Stephen Wilson  
Rocky Wingate  
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David Woods Not  
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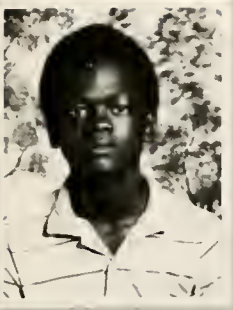


Tina Woods  
Cheryl Woodward  
Chris Wynn  
Daniel Yawn





# ... EIGHTH GRADE



Darren Young  
George Young  
Theresa Young  
Mary Zellner

# SEVENTH GRADE . . .

Andre Abney  
Harold Alderman  
Melanie Alexander  
~~Terry Alexander~~  
Elroy Allen



David Anderson  
Melinda Anderson  
Stephanie Anderson  
Eugene Anthony  
Simone Anthony



Ronnie Archer  
Chris Austin  
Joey Austin  
Brian Bailey  
Sandra Banks



Charles Barnes  
Kerri Barnes  
Latrelle Barnett  
Patricia Brown  
Wanda Baxter



Dawn Beasley  
Mark Beasley  
Julie Beckett  
Lisa Bennett  
Terri Bishop



Toni Bishop  
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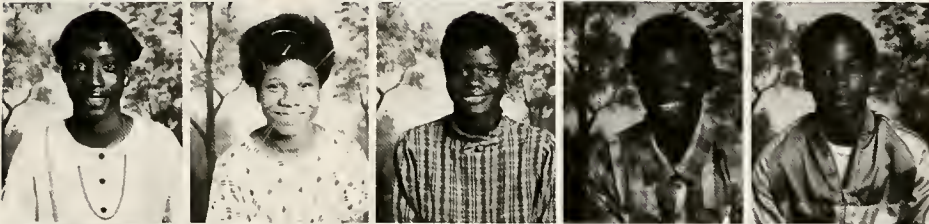




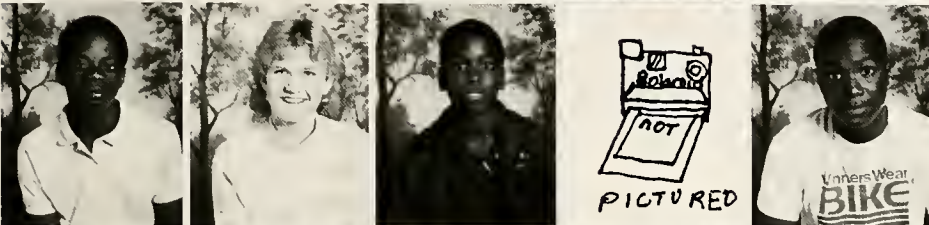
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Dwain Brown  
Eurika Brown  
John Brown  
Jonathan Brown



Latrelle Brown  
Linda Brown  
Shannon Brown  
Janet Bryant  
Terrence Bush



Martez Bryant  
Kim Burton  
Jermaine Butler  
John Butler  
Willie Campbell



Brian Carter  
April Carter  
Misty Carter  
Stephanie Carter  
Kim Channell



Angie Chapman  
Katrina Chilen  
Jeffrey Cobb  
Kevin Cauley  
Yolanda Coleman



Jeremaine Collins  
Larry Collins  
David Crook  
Debra Cook  
Eleanor Cooper



Sherri Cooper  
Latasha Copeland  
Jennifer Cribbs  
Brian Crosby  
Wendy Cruitt



# SEVENTH GRADE ...

Craig Daniels  
Alice Daughtry  
Michelle Daughtry  
Amy Davis  
Amy Devegter



Myron Devoe  
Tabitha Dewberry  
Marcella Dominguez  
Van Driggers  
Dynise Eason



Leon Eason  
Theresa Eason  
Toby Edenfield  
Cathy Edwards  
Melinda Edwards



Stacey Edwards  
Tim Edwards  
Duane Ekern  
Natarsha Ellison  
Ronnie Ellison



Val Ervin  
Keith Evans  
Kevin Evans  
George Evener  
Michael Fisher



Shawn Fisher  
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Clifton Fortner  
Jason Frazier  
Amanda Freyne

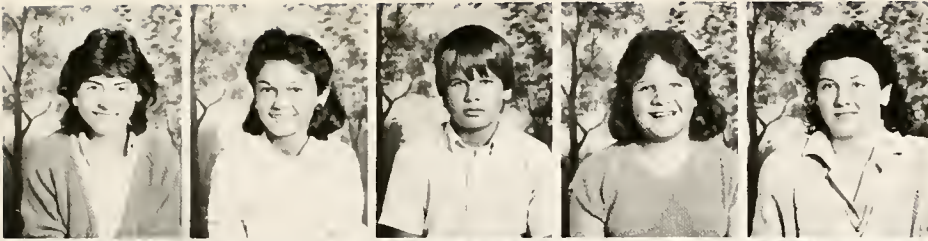


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Brant Gammon  
Tyrone Gary  
Bryant Gay  
Christine Gibson





# ... SEVENTH GRADE



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Robert Goodrich  
Jill Gracen  
Crystal Graham



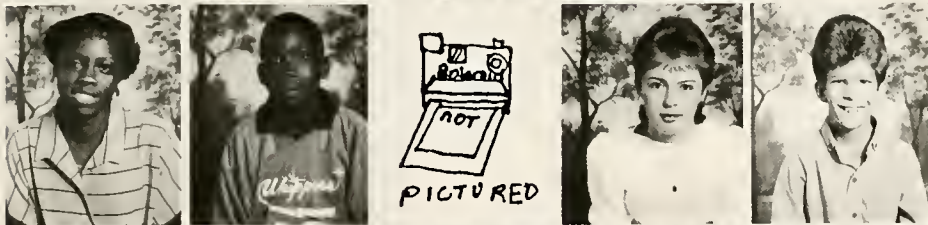
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GeDonn Groover



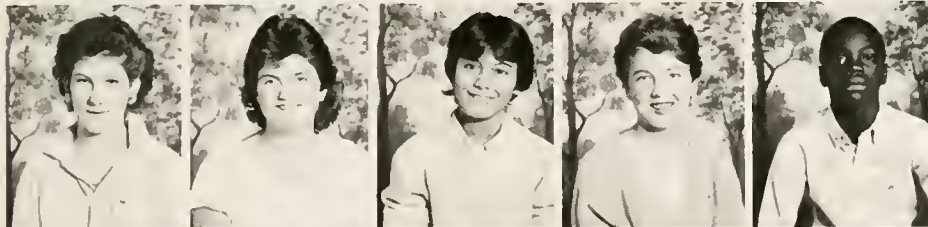
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David Hagen  
Maurice Hagood  
Ricky Hale  
William Halford



Maria Hall  
John Hancock (Porcupine)  
Tanya Holifield  
Charlesetta Hawkins  
Cindy Hebert



Kate Heyward  
Robert Hill  
Shannon Hinely  
Amy Hodges  
Jonah Hodges



Michelle Hodges  
Juanette Holland  
Robert Holland  
Vanessa Hooks  
Darelle Howard



Michael Hughes  
Shonna Hulett  
Mario Humes  
Lee Humphrey  
Deedric Irwin



# SEVENTH GRADE ...

Heather Jackson  
Lavorise Jackson  
Shawn Jackson  
Ashley Jeffcoat  
Billy Jenkins



Douglas Jenkins  
Alfonzo Johnson  
Felicia Johnson  
Michael Johnson  
Pam Johnson



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Ken Jones



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Kelley Knight  
Daniell Kerby  
George Kirby



Robert King  
Christerpher Kirby  
Jason Kirkland  
Maurice Kirkland  
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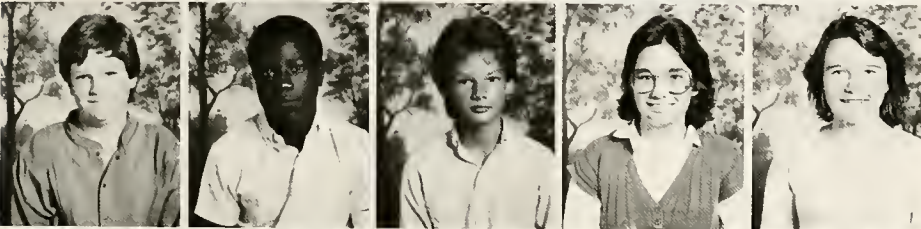
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Ricky Lipsey  
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Tommy Lowery



Eric Loyd  
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Mary Madden  
Jerry Manker  
Gail Morris



Brian Martin  
Sheldon Martin  
Robert McCullough  
Christine McIntire  
Connie McKuhen



Keith McClain  
Leigh McNeely  
Elba Miranda  
Salena Mitchell  
Jennifer Mixon



Artia Moody  
Kevin Moore  
Gwendolyn Morris  
Swain Morris  
Kevin Moya



John Myers  
Alex Nease  
Christy Neifert  
Kelly Nelson  
Stephanie Orona



Michael Ortega  
Michelle Osborne  
Edward Osborne  
Danny Outen  
Michelle Outen



# SEVENTH GRADE ...

Andre Overstreet  
Jack Owens  
Julie Padgett  
Antionette Parnell  
Shelly Partain



Roncheon Peters  
Rusty Phillips  
Richard Phillips  
Stacy Philpot  
Donald Pickard



Jason Pickard  
Debra Pierce  
Albertha Pinckney  
Michelle Polite  
Cheronae Porter



Anthony Powell  
John Powell  
John Quarterman  
Jimmy Rahab  
Kevin Reedy



Mark Reeves  
Brian Reiser  
Evelyn Rich  
Jessica Ricord  
Chad Riner



Chanda Roach  
Les Robarge  
Billy Roberson  
Brandy Roberts  
Kevin Roberts



Scott Robider  
Ingrid Robinson  
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Holly Rogers





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Lisa Russell



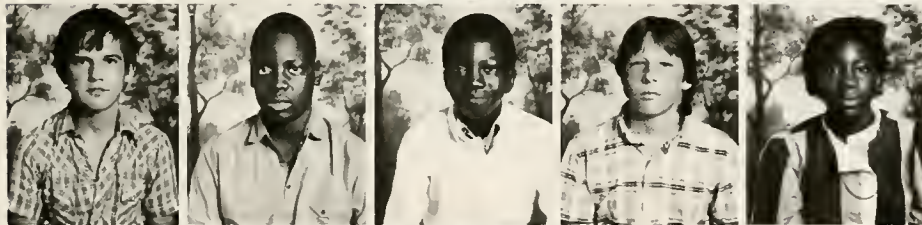
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Dorsheika Shell  
Jennifer Shinall  
Ginny Shuman  
Maria Siemienkiewicz



Alvin Simmons  
Nathan Simpson  
Adrian Smith  
Chad Smith  
Elsie Smith



Jonathan Smith  
Kyle Smith  
Larry Smith  
Laconia Smith  
Leslie Smith



Natashia Smith  
Steven Smith  
Ginger Smith  
Kristin Spencer  
Chanin Sprague



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Shannon Stanley  
Melissa Stark  
Heather Steinhauser  
Lorrie Stephens  
Debra Sterno



Brandon Stewart  
Craig Stone  
Daniel Stone  
Eric Taylor  
Michael Taylor



Chad Temples  
Amy Thompson  
Jason Thorne  
Michelle Todd  
Tracy Todd



Alexander Tolbert  
Lorraine Tonssant  
Kathy Toole  
James Trussell  
Misty Tyler



Laura Vanscooter  
Ede Walker  
Nikki Wilkes  
Brian Wardlaw  
Vickie Waters



Michelle Weaver  
Becky Webb  
Shandy Webb  
Amanda Wellmaker  
Katina West



Paula West  
Robert White  
Marcus Winters  
David Woods  
Daniel Williams





# ... SEVENTH GRADE



James Williams  
Lynn Williams  
Marcus Williams  
Rhaunda Williams  
Ronald Williams



Kevin Wilson  
Michael Winters  
Keith Woods  
~~Tammy Wright~~  
Phillip Wright



Jennifer Wycoff  
Althea Youmans  
Brian Young  
Jerry Youngblood  
Stephanie Zellner



Eric Zipperer

# SIXTH GRADE . . .

Larry Adside  
Sonja Allard  
Dana Allen  
Carter Amerson  
Tonia Amos



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Jason Anderson  
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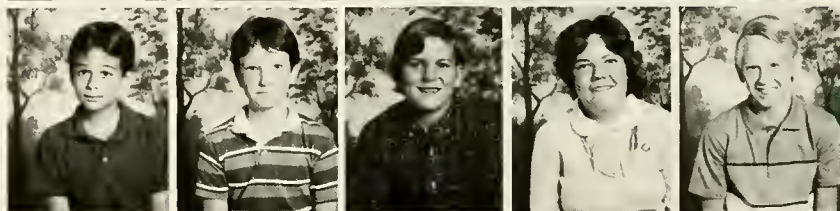
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Theresa Beckworth  
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Michael Bennett  
Bobby Black



Christopher Blackwilder  
Travis Bland  
Warren Blanton  
Cynthia Boatright  
Glenn Boone



*He  
looks  
funny!*

Don Tray Bostick  
Patricia Botwinski  
Bruce Bowles  
Michelle Boykin  
Sandra Braddy



Bonnie Brantley  
Bernard Brown  
Caroline Brown  
Maranda Brown  
Oscar Brown



Ricky Brown  
Romero Brown  
Shawn Brown  
Stephen Brown  
Tamara Brown





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Ashley Bryan  
Benjamin Bryant  
Justin Buckley  
Karen Bulloch  
Lara Burnsed



Danny Cannon  
Jolie Carter  
Sandra Carter  
Ronnie Chapman  
Gary Clayton



Robin Cleland  
Wendy Cobb  
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James Collins  
Jasper Collins  
Patricia Conway  
Antionette Copper  
Stafford Copper



Christina Cosby  
Debbie Creech  
Leroy Crew  
John Crosby  
Katrina Crumley



Kristie Daniel  
Jeri Dawson  
Stanley Devegter  
James Drury  
Leslie Donaldson



Phillip Dunlap  
Chad Durden  
Sean Edenfield  
Eric Edwards  
Heather Edwards



Jennifer Ellis  
Latacia Ellison  
Sanford Elton  
Kareem Evans  
Tina Fennell



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Randy Fields  
Freddy Flakes  
William Flewallen  
Greg Flower  
Mary Frazier



Jeffery Garrison  
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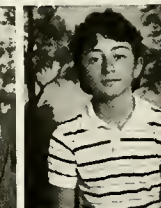
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John Harper  
Jason Harrell  
Jennifer Harris  
Andrew Hauger



Ann Hawkins  
Alan Hazard  
James Head  
Jennifer Hinely  
Samantha Hodges



Denise Holland  
Janith Hollis  
Erick Horne  
Merritt Houston  
Tare Howard





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Michelle Howie  
Michael Huff  
Lisa Hughes  
Dona Hunnicutt  
Kevin Ienks



Missy Irvin  
Craig Irvin  
John Jackson  
Xavior Jackson  
Michael James



Ira Shawn James  
Delanau Jenkins  
James Johnson  
Alicia Johnson  
Dina Johnson



Kevin Johnson  
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Jason Jones  
Jennifer Jones



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Christopher Keith  
Billy Kersey  
Sherri Kicklighter  
Natasha King



Eric Knight  
Danielle Ladson  
Clarissa Lambert  
Emily Langford  
Leslie LaRoach



Anna Lee  
Leslie Lee  
Eric Lemon  
Nikki Leverette  
Christopher "Brooks" Lively



Rhonda Lloyd  
Theron Loury  
Becki Lucas  
Leon McBride  
Karri McCloy



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Allison McCord  
Gwen McCullough  
LaDonna McIver  
Alex Manker  
Patrick Mathis



Carol Mikell  
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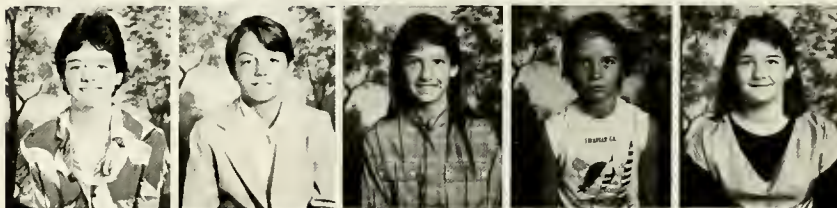
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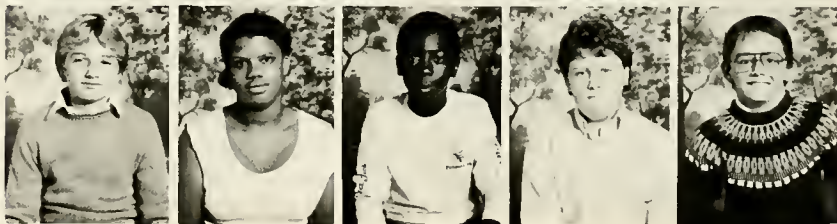
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Karen Pinckney  
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Jason Polk  
Clay Porter





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Jason Potter  
Michael Presley  
Brian Quinney  
Jennifer Rape  
James Rasmussen



Brian Reddick  
Jennifer Reed  
Rebecca Reese  
Murray "Alex" Renfro  
Helena Rhodes



Jhaman Rhodes  
Derek Richardson  
William Robbins  
Kimberly Roberts  
Brian Robinson



Tateasha Robinson  
Beth Rodriguez  
Tony Rogers  
Jason Roundtree  
Kwammie Russell



Richard Sanders  
Thomas Sanders  
Jennifer Sapp  
Kenneth Sawyer  
Alexander Scott



Brian Scott  
Sheila Sheffield  
Leighann Shelton  
Bradwick Sherrod  
Joni Sherling



Jenny Sikes  
Caryline Simmons  
Tatasha Simpson  
Samuel Small  
Catina Smith



Jeffrey Smith  
Jimmy Smith  
Karen Smith  
Lori Smith  
Deborah Soto

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# SIXTH GRADE . . .

Antonio Spann  
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Brian Spikes  
Amy Spivey  
Melissa Stafford



Traci Steed  
Russell Stephens  
Mark Sterno  
Marilyn Stokes  
Robin Stone



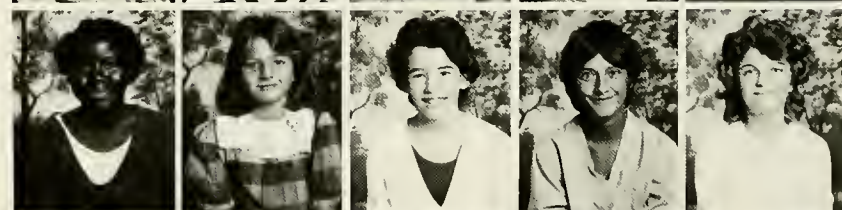
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Terri Thomas  
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James Thompson  
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Derrik Tigner



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Tonya Toole  
Leigh Townsend  
Wayman Towsand  
Stephanie Turner



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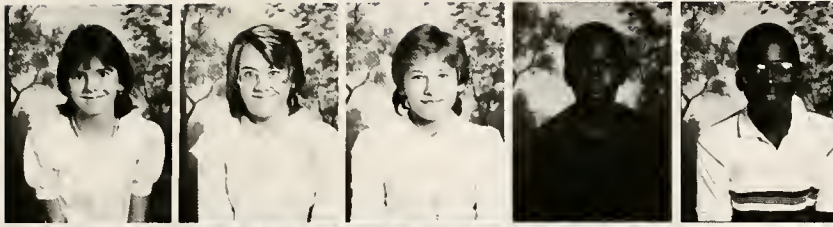


Alissa Webb  
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# ... SIXTH GRADE



Vicki West  
LaDonna Wheeler  
Rebecca Whetstone  
James White  
Ricardo Wilkerson



Douglas Williams  
Felicia Williams  
James Williams  
Joseph Williams  
Latasha Williams



Moneca Williams  
Orealia Williams  
Terrell Williamson  
Lenwood Willingham  
April Wilson



Donald Wilson  
Fredrick Wilson  
Kristian Wingate  
Amy Wolfe  
Anthony Woods



James Youmans

# JUST WANNA' HAVE FUN





# CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

Clubs and organizations —  
hubs of activity.

Student Council —  
main component.

Pieces, parts . . .

French, Art, Band, Chorus,  
Yearbook, Math, F.H.A.,  
Industrial Arts, Reading,  
Computers, Model U.N., Quiz

Bowl, Newspaper —  
Important pieces . . .

Necessary parts . . .

One *GIANT PUZZLE!!!*

Let's *make* the parts fit.

# MR. & MISS YEARBOOK AND ATTENDANTS



Winners: Robert Register, Leslie Clifton, Dawn Evangelista, Crissy Kennedy, Wendell Cothran, and Griffin Thomas.

Several students vied for the title, Mr. & Miss Raider. These students put forth extra effort to sell advertisements to businesses and individuals in the community. The staff extends congratulations to the following winners.

Mr. & Miss Yearbook — Griffin Thomas and Dawn Evangelista

Attendants — Robert Register and Leslie Clifton

Attendants — Wendell Cothran and Chrissy Kennedy





# PECE STUDENTS ON THE JOB



Cake Corner Bakery



Osteen Florist

Program of Education and Career Exploration provides students in grades 7 and 8 an opportunity to relate themselves to broad areas of work through hands-on work experiences at community sites. Mrs. Z. Foster coordinates this program.



Ray's Butcher Shop, Bloomingdale

PECE students inventory their interests, aptitudes, and values; use a variety of resources to research occupations; listen to and question guest speakers; complete job application forms; and develop tentative career plans.



Hometown Bakery



Hardee's, Pooler

# LET'S HAIL THE PEACEMAKERS!



During the school year, ten students from Mercer Middle School went to Georgia Southern College to participate in the Model United Nations. The United Nations is an organization that discusses the problems that are going on in the world and tries to decide on solutions. Most countries belong to the United Nations.

Mercer Middle School was the only school where all four of the countries won honorable mention. The countries and delegates follow: Libya - Jamie Kreyenbuhl, Stacey Roberts, and Amanda Reddick; Costa Rica - Dawn Evangelista, Jennifer Lewis, and Latarasha Parrish; Honduras - Bert Klein and Troy Steed; and Norway - Jay Melvin and Griffin Thomas. The advisors are Ms. Ethridge and Mrs. Collins.

## QUIZ BOWL



The purpose of the Quiz Bowl Club is to provide middle school students the opportunity to compete on a high academic level, to stimulate academic achievement, to boost confidence, and to teach and utilize research skills.

Members of the 1985 - 86 team follow: Denise Holland, Dana Allen, David Hagan, Christine McIntyre, Dawn Evangelista, Jay Melvin, Chris Holt, and Griffin Thomas. The advisors are Mrs. Collins, Mrs. Latimer, Mrs. Ellis, Mrs. Harn, Mrs. Herman, and Mrs. Miller.



# THE WONDERFUL WORLD OF COMPUTERS



The Computer Club's advisor is Mrs. E. Burton. She wants to give the students who are not taking computer literacy an opportunity to operate and program a computer. Mrs. Burton also wants to give students who have taken computer literacy an opportunity to do advanced programming and special projects. This year's officers follow: Amanda Reddick, president; Allison Sellers, secretary; and Sybil Williams, program chairperson.

## READ! READ! READ!



The Reading Club was organized to accommodate students who really enjoy reading. It is an interesting club because students have the opportunity to read both fiction and nonfiction material. Students discuss and share with other members of this club. Mrs. P. Ervin coordinates the activities of this club.

# AH! THE BEAUTY OF THEIR VOICES!



The Mercer Middle School chorus is directed by Mrs. Kathy Maher. These students are well-known in Savannah-Chatham County. They sing in area nursing homes, participate in Night in Old Savannah festivities, Georgia Day activities, and on various school programs. This year the chorus wowed a standing room only audience during a P.T.A. meeting with a production termed *Broadway*. If you enjoy beautiful singing, you'll love Mercer's chorus.





# THE SOUND OF MUSIC



SIXTH GRADE BAND



The Mercer Middle School band is under the direction of Mr. Russell Sena. This talented individual coordinates students in the 6th, 7th, and 8th grades. Mercer offers a beginning band program for 6th grade students and for students in other grades.

The band participates in the Georgia Music Educator's Activities, District Solo Ensemble, District Band Festival, Christmas Concert, and Georgia Day festivities. Mercer is very proud of Mr. Sena and the members of the band.



SEVENTH GRADE BAND



EIGHTH GRADE BAND

# EXTRA! EXTRA! READ ALL ABOUT IT!



Tom Lietz and Stacey Roberts, Editors

The *Raider Review* staff is composed of dedicated and enthusiastic individuals. Students gather news, write, edit, and publish at least three issues of the newspaper. In addition, a school-wide news program is sponsored each Friday morning during the second semester. Anchored by Stacey Roberts, *Raider Review* editor, this undertaking has proved to be both informative and entertaining to teachers and students.

The members of the *Raider Review* staff follow: Stacey Roberts and Tom Lietz, editors; Dawn Evangelista and Talvia Bradley, main events; Barry Bazemore, Bobby Hattrich, Le-An Ledford, Monica Bryant, Hope Williams, Jonathan Brown, William Hulett, and Mark Rentz, reporters. Mrs. L. K. Ellis advises the group.



Mrs. L. K. Ellis, Advisor



We've met our deadline, and it's time to take a break.



# INDUSTRIAL ARTS CLUB



The Industrial Arts Club affords members the opportunity to engage in many exciting activities. The activities are mainly related to drafting, printing methods, and other creative endeavors. The students make projects and share the joy of their success with their parents and friends. The coordinator is Mr. Neville Floyd.

The officers follow: Teresa Sims, president; Joy Smith, vice-president; Latonya Thompson, secretary; Scooter Branson, treasurer; and Hal Flewallan, historian.

## F.H.A. ON PARADE



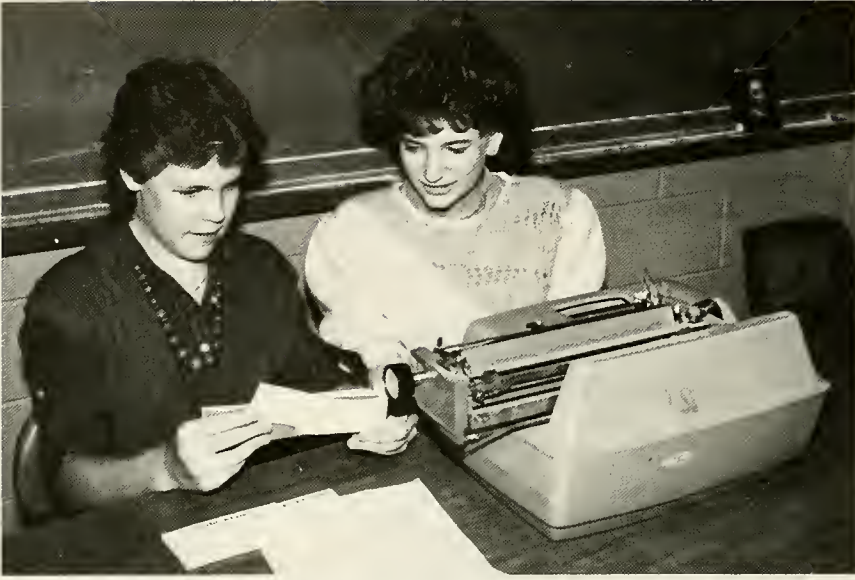
The F.H.A. is a very active organization. The three key areas of interests are personal growth, community involvement, and vocational preparation.

The participants are interested in sharing and learning. They visit nursing homes, invite guest speakers to come and share information related to their areas of expertise, serve refreshments when special guests visit the school, co-sponsor the prom, and participate in Georgia Day activities.

The officers for the 1985-86 school year follow: Julie Osteen, president; Chrissy Kennedy, vice president; Dawn Evangelista, secretary; and Griffin Thomas, Parliamentarian. Ms. Rose Martin is the advisor.



# MEET THE



Business managers: Jennifer Lewis and Le-An Ledford



Editors: Bradley and Kreyenbuhl



Layouts: Griffin Thomas, Bobby Squires, and Bert Klein



Classes: Jamie Moore, Janice Dyches, and Lisa Cooler



# RAIDER STAFF



Advertising: Mike Davis, Talvia Bradley, Bert Klein, Griffin Thomas, Hope Williamson, Billy Hulett, and Jonathan Brown

Copy: Jay Melvin, Latarasha Parrish, Stacey Roberts, and Monica Bryant.



Helmspersons for the *Raider 1986* are Jamie Kreyenbuhl and Talvia Bradley. This year's theme is *Puzzles*. The staff has worked very hard to produce a book that reflects the many facets of middle school life. We hope that you will enjoy unraveling and recreating this puzzle.

Puzzlemasters or advisors for this year's *Raider* are Ms. Stubbs, Mr. Kennedy, and Mrs. Ellis.



Clubs: Barry Bazemore, Latarasha Parrish, Tom Lietz, Stacey Roberts, and Bobby Hattrich

# CREATING BEAUTY IS THEIR AIM



The Art Club was formed to give students who do not take art the entire year the opportunity to expand their creative horizons. These students are instrumental in providing artwork for P.T.A. meetings and exhibits. Many of them also participate in the annual Puppet Jamboree. Ms. S. Stubbs advises the group. The following students serve as officers: Bert Klein, president; Amy White, vice president; and Dawn Evangelista, secretary.





# THE FRENCH CLUB



The French Club is made up of students who have the ability to speak and understand the French language. Most students enjoy the club because it gives them the opportunity to show others how much they have learned during the semester. In addition, students enjoy learning about the French culture. The members of the French Club follow: Jennifer Lewis, Chris Banks, Tracy Aldrich, Derrick Strickland, Chris Holt, Leslie Clifton, Stacey Roberts, Chrissy Kennedy, Robbie Hicks, Tina Woods, Talvia Bradley, Michael Davis, and Jason Martin. Mrs. Wisenbaker is the advisor.

# MATH CONTEST WINNERS!



Mercer's mathematics department sponsored a team of four students in the second annual Armstrong State College Middle School Mathematics Contest. The team members were John Bowers, Phillip Bridges, Jamie Kreyenbuhl, and Le-An Ledford. Mercer was well represented and placed fifth out of twelve schools, public and private. Mrs. Doris Harn coordinates math activities.

# A NECESSARY ORGANIZATION



The Student Council at Mercer Middle School is a fine organization. Ms. Wisenbaker is the advisor to the club. The purpose of this organization is to provide students the opportunity to develop character and leadership ability. The Student Council always plans special activities and projects. Some of the activities follow: Toys for Toddlers, school films, Christmas door decorating contest, and community drives.

The officers for the 1985-86 school year follow: Alison Sellers, president; Janice Johnston, vice president; Antionette Dwinell, secretary; Latrelle Brown, treasurer; Jay Melvin, eighth grade representative; Robbie Jones, seventh grade representative, and Allie Baker, sixth grade representative. Each homeroom class also has a Student Council representative.

## WE COULDN'T HAVE DONE IT WITHOUT YOU!

The entire yearbook staff salutes Mrs. Ellis, Ms. Stubbs, and Mr. Kennedy for their leadership and support this school year. They gave us the necessary instructions and saw to it that we remained on task.

Working on the 1986 issue was quite an adventure, and we hope that the administrators, faculty, students, and parents will enjoy each page of the *Raider*. Take the time to relish the joy, the excitement, the growth, the discoveries, in this photo-history of the 1985-86 school year at Mercer. Enjoy the 1986 issue of the *RAIDER*. We couldn't have done it without you!



Ms. Shawn Stubbs

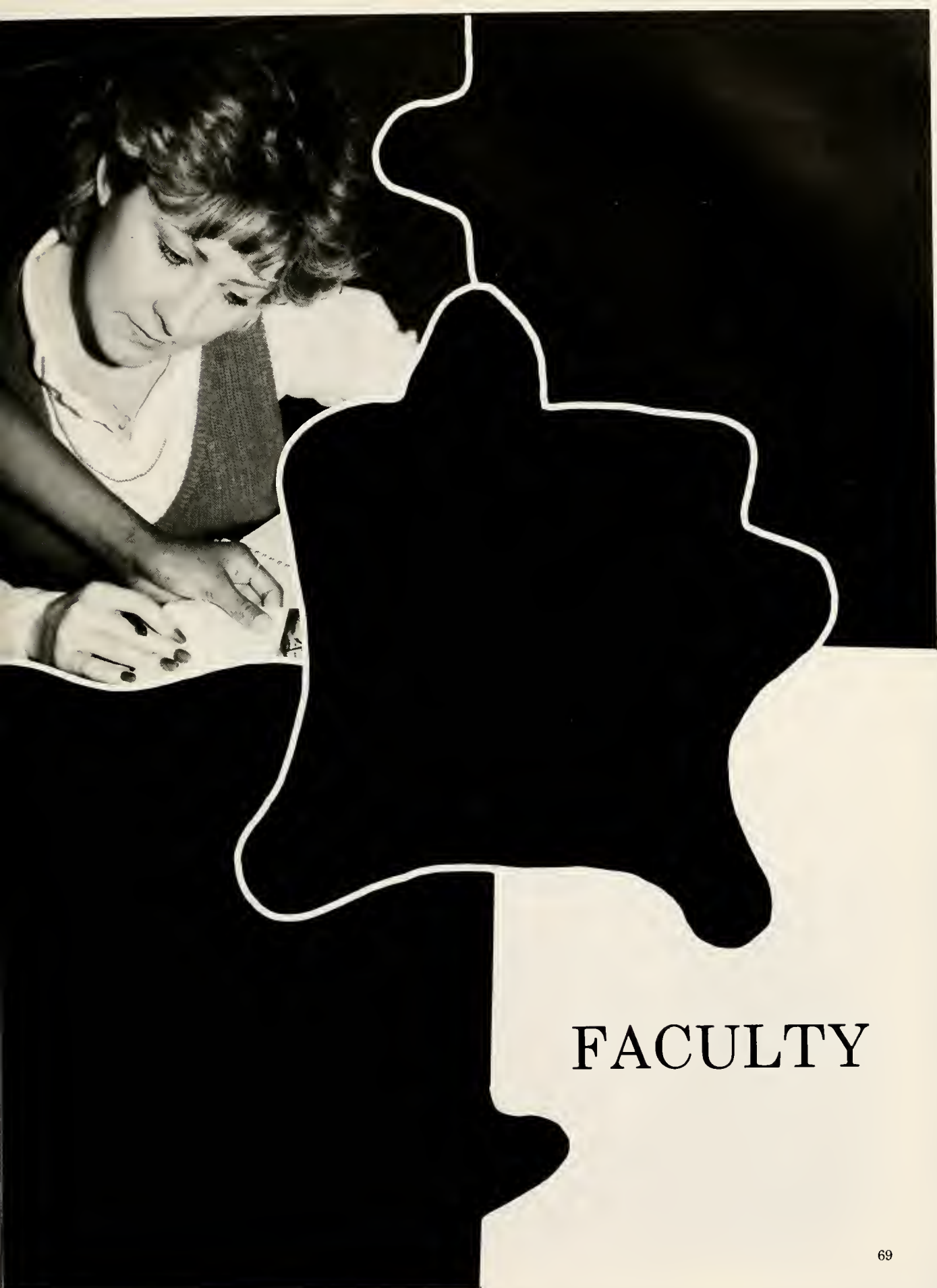


Mrs. Lillie K. Ellis



Mr. Patrick Kennedy





# FACULTY

# ADMINISTRATION



Mrs. Virginia DeLoach  
Principal



"That man is a success who lives well,  
laughs often and loves much . . .  
who looks for the best in others and  
who gives the best in himself always."

- Robert Louis Stevenson



Mr. Donald Gervais  
Assistant Principal



"You are the author of your life, and your fate is to live  
what you create."

- Anonymous



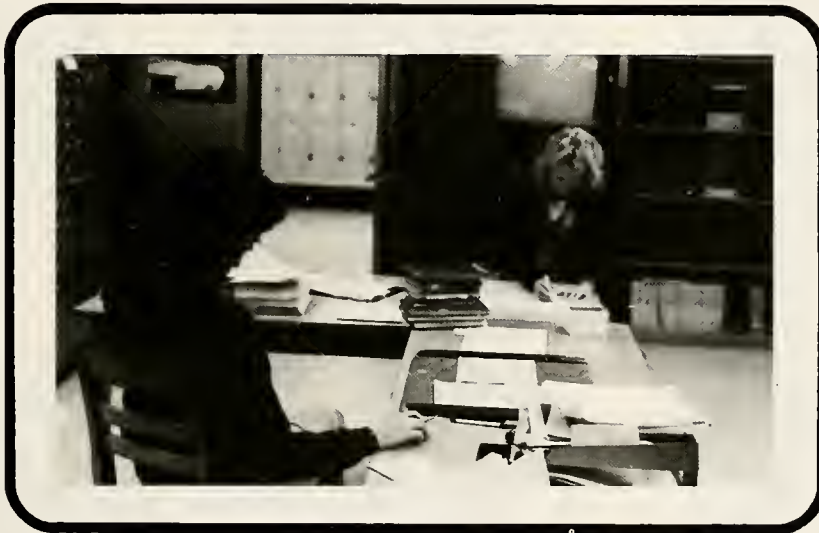
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Mr. William Mock  
Guidance Counselor



Mrs. Sandra Henderson  
Librarian



Mrs. Sherri Estes  
Nurse



Mr. Comer Flynn  
In-House Coordinator

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Ms. Lisa Benzing



Mrs. Carolyn Brown



Ms. Judy Crumley



Mrs. Lillie Ellis



Mrs. Patricia Ervin



Mrs. Pamela Herman



Mr. Patrick Kennedy



Ms. Kris Kisling



Mrs. Sherry McClain



Mrs. Joann Smith



Mrs. Margaret Zeigler



# SOCIAL STUDIES



Mr. Frank Bell



Mrs. Arnetta Brown



Mrs. Karen Collins



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Mrs. Susan Hill



Ms. Susan Quattlebaum

# MATHEMATICS



Ms. Michelle Borrett



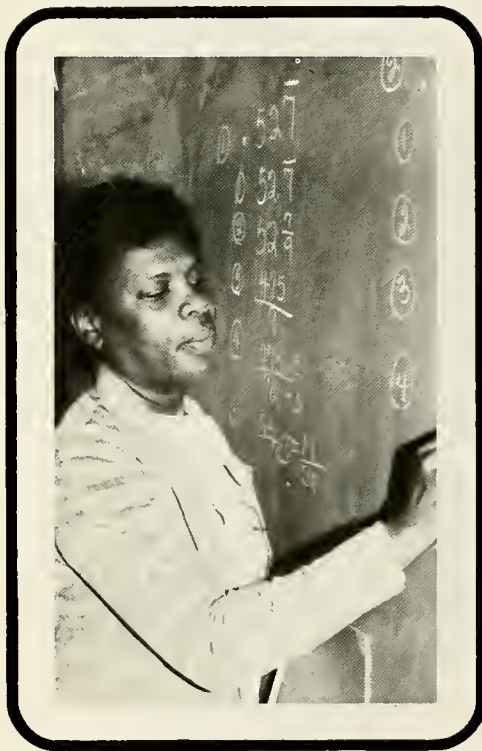
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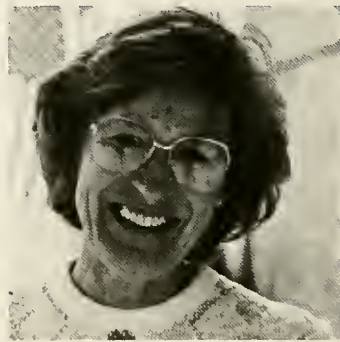
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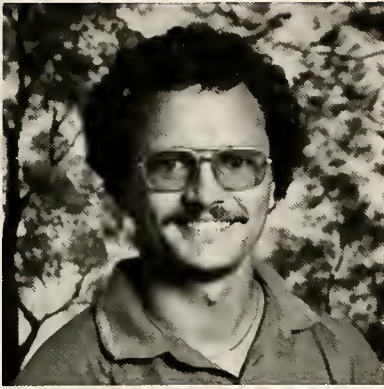
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Mrs. Mildred Walker



# SCIENCE/HEALTH



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Mr. Walter Lee



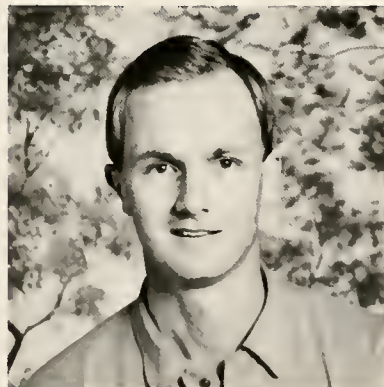
Mrs. Shirley Miller



Mr. David Owen



Ms. Larissa Turner



Mr. Ray Tuten



Mrs. Cheryl Wright



# ELECTIVES/PHYSICAL EDUCATION



Mrs. Elnora Burton  
Computers



Mrs. Jackie Dixon  
Physical Education



Mr. Neville Floyd  
Industrial Arts



Mrs. Zeline Foster  
P.E.C.E. Coordinator



*You shall find a reward for oil your effort. Don't stop striving for better things. Karen Lee Martin*



Ms. Karen Martin  
Home Economics



Mrs. Wanda Smith  
Physical Education



Mr. Duane Talley  
Physical Education

*Please retire!*



# ART/MUSIC/LANGUAGE



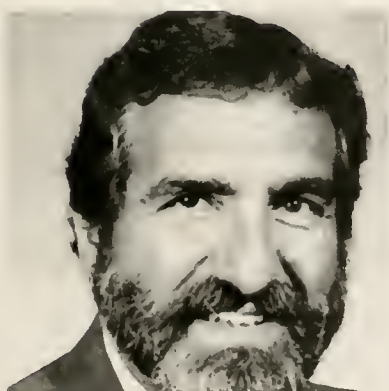
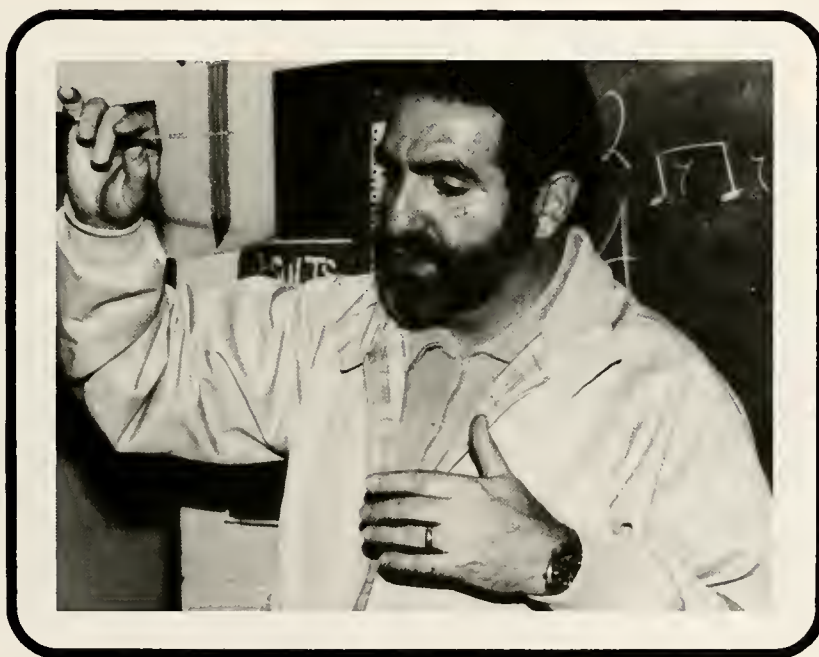
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Art



Mrs. Kathy Maher  
Music/Chorus



Mrs. Marie Malfatti  
Music



Mr. Russell Sena  
Music/Band



Ms. Shawn Stubbs  
Art



Mrs. Jennie Weisenbaker  
French

# SPECIAL EDUCATION



Ms. Terry Fogarty  
SLD



Mr. Cordale Hall  
BD



Mrs. Cecile Howard  
PVT



Mrs. Susanne Konter  
BD



Mrs. Patricia Latimer  
SEARCH



Ms. Elizabeth Watson  
AEP



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Secretary



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Computer Clerk



Mrs. Mattie Blake  
Secretary



Ms. Debbie Johnson  
Aide



Mrs. Susan Smith  
Aide



Mrs. Lynn Strickland  
Aide



Mrs. Susie Williford  
Librarian Assistant

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Eunice Erwin, Mrs. Pearl Hicks, Mrs. Jaunatta  
Howard, Mrs. Jeannie Moss and Mrs. Rose Williams



# CUSTODIAL STAFF

Mrs. Maybelle Butts



Mr. Arthur Wright

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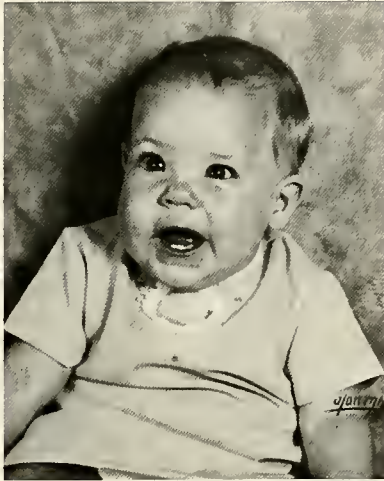


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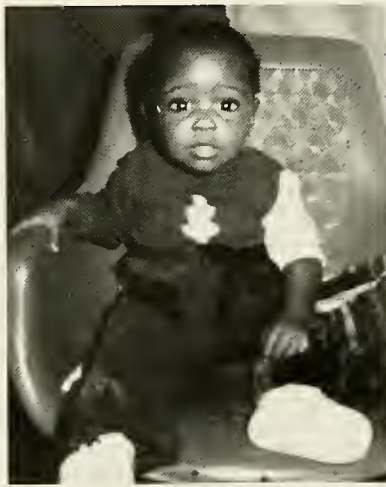


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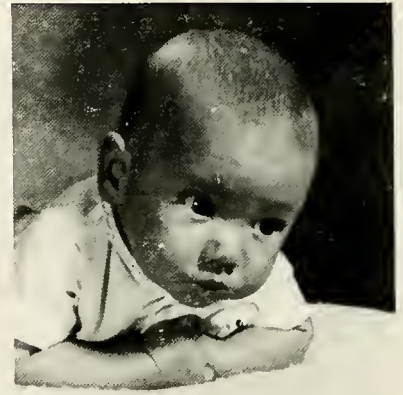
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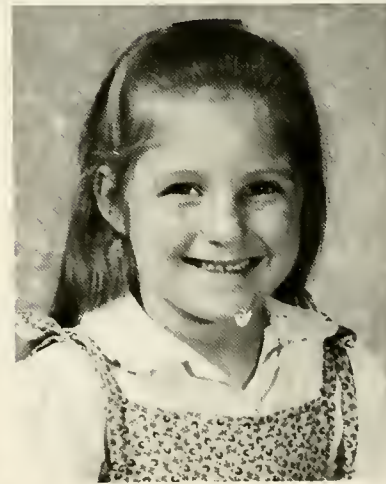
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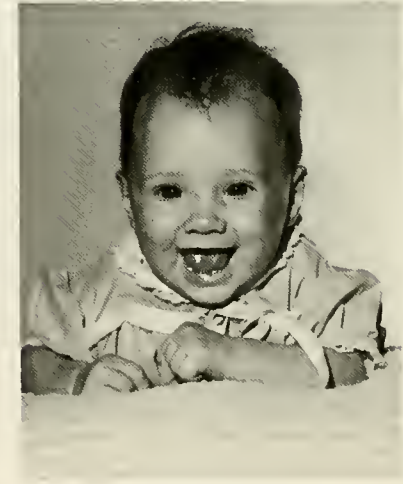
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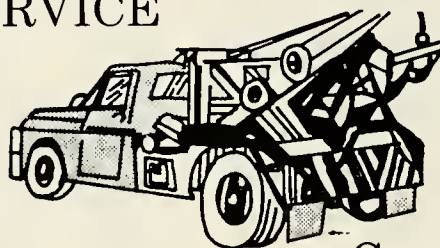
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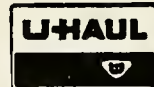
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*year.* It might have  
been better if suchan  
hadn't been on you. He  
influence on you. He  
could have really gotten  
you in trouble.

*Well thank for a good*  
*year! See you in 8th*

*Traci*

*Jeff,*  
*It's been Great*  
*knowing you 30x*  
*Next year I'll be at*  
*the Big 6 And I*  
*won't see you*  
*500%*

*Jeff*

its been cool going  
to school with you  
have fun over the summer  
and find you a girlfriend

*THE*  
*ZOO/C*

Jeff.  
 you've been  
 in my class  
 ever since 3rd grade.  
 That's a long time. Well,  
 stay sweet and have a  
 nice summer.  
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Jeff-  
 It was  
 nice knowing  
 you.  
 Josh Hodge

Jeff,  
 It was fun  
 this year you  
 Me and Tony  
 had some good times  
 together and I hope  
 to see you next year  
 to have a good summer  
 your friend,  
 Eric

Jeff-  
 you are a  
 nice person  
 hope to  
 see you  
 next year  
 have a good  
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Have a nice  
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Jeffery  
 It's been nice knowing  
 you in my class this  
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 David





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(jig-so pz-l) N: a Puzzle consisting of small individually shaped pieces that are fitted together to form one picture.

Jeff,  
Have a nice  
summer, I know  
I will see you  
over the  
summer

Carter

Jeff,  
hope you've  
had a great  
year.

Good luck  
and have  
a great  
"Summer"

Jeff,

It has been nice  
being in your  
class for 4 years.  
I sure hope you are  
in my class next year!  
Well got to go and have  
a happy summer!  
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your friend,  
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Jeff,  
What's up? It's  
been fun with  
you in the  
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